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DTLINEN- Summary of Recent Developments *cc: E. Hum. PPOps (Plans)*

References: A. DIR 13304 (Not sent Bases) *cc: DTLINEN OPS 16*  
 B. FRAN 5718 (Relayed to FOB) *11791 - cc: DTLINEN 13*  
*cc: Fedrep PPOps (Plans)*

**SUMMARY:** Reference B transmitted our ultimate decision as to how we intended to resolve the DTLINEN problem. This dispatch summarizes DTLINEN developments from the period late February to early April which led to this decision. As will be seen from the Attachments, we were caught in a fast moving, ever changing situation. As a consequence, we deemed it best to coordinate our course of action largely through Cable Notes and personal discussions, a procedure generally consonant with that suggested by Bransby in Reference A. However, key developments were cabled to Headquarters; these cables will be cited in the body of this dispatch to again pin-point them for you.

1. You will recall that during [ ] recent visit to the German Station we discussed with him various KUCAGE problems, including possible adjustments within DTLINEN and ways and means of getting German authorities to participate more actively in the management and financing of the group projects. FRAN 5112 (not sent Bases) contained a summary account of action taken by us (primarily vis-a-vis UTILITY) immediately subsequent to Bransby's departure. A draft Aide Memoire as mentioned in Para. 1 E of FRAN 5112 was prepared; it is forwarded as S/C Attachment A. While the fluid DTLINEN situation prevented us from making use of it up to now, we intend to use it as a point of departure for eliciting the Fedrep policy statement cited in Para. 3 of Reference B.

2. We thought we were all set to start negotiations with re adjustments within DTLINEN and KUCAGE in general when BOB informed us that the incident reported in Para. 4 of BRLN 6530 was considerably more serious than it was initially thought to be (see BRLN 6665 and 6738). This development, plus concurrent newspaper attacks levelled against DTLINEN (see BRLN 6530, 6664 and BONN 6721, 6741), the co-worker @DOPKE incident (see BRLN 6665 and 6738), and the @WARTENBURG incident (see BRLN 6737) prompted BOB to request us to hold up discussions with [ ] until the DTLINEN situation could be reassessed. BOB's request, which was transmitted via cable note (BRLN 04/10 March, see S/C Attachment 1), was the first of a number of cable notes and several cables which were exchanged between BOB, COS, and BONN in keeping up with the fast changing DTLINEN developments. We feel this correspondence speaks for itself and are therefore not going to elaborate on it. We will merely cite the items involved, as follows:

Document No. a. FRAN CN 04/11 March (S/C Attachment 2)  
 No Change in Class. b. BRLN CN 10/12 March (S/C Attachment 3)  
☐ Declassified c. BRLN 6817, dated 11 March (not sent FOB, MOB)

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- d. FRAN 5339, dated 15 March (not sent FOB, MOB)
- e. BONN 6786 and 6788, dated 17 March (not sent FOB, MOB)
- f. FRAN CN 01/22 March (S/C Attachment h) (NOTE: This cable note was sent as a follow-up to the ( ) discussions with BOB on 19/20 March)
- g. FRAN CN 04/24 March (to BRIN), 02/24 March (to BONN) (S/C Attachment 5)
- h. BONN CN 04/27 March (S/C Attachment 6)
- i. BRIN CN 09/28 March and 12/28 March (S/C Attachment 7 and 8)
- j. BONN CN 02/31 March (S/C Attachment 9)
- k. FRAN CN 01/1 April (to BONN), 02/1 April (to BRIN) (S/C Attachment 10) (NOTE: This cable note is an elaboration of Reference B).

3. We think you will agree that the above correspondence reflects the fact that there was no one, simple solution to the DTLINEN problem. As a matter of fact, we are not certain at this time that the steps outlined in Reference B will prove to be adequate. If not, we are prepared to consider total termination of the project, and will advise you accordingly if this becomes necessary.

4. So that you will have a complete record of correspondence dealing with DTLINEN developments during this period, we are forwarding, as S/C Attachments B, C, D, three Memos written by the undersigned. They deal principally with the question of how we might accomplish termination of DTLINEN. To preclude any misunderstanding, these Memos do not constitute formal directives for action to be carried out at this time. Rather, as is evident from reading them, they were prepared for COS' consideration as a possible course of action in the event it became necessary to initiate full scale termination of the project. However, we feel that the Memos reflect, to a reasonable degree, the rather sizable and complicated task that faces us if the project has to be terminated.

5. FYI: We will continue to report important future developments re DTLINEN and the results of our discussions with ( ) via short cables; details will be pouched.

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- 3 - EE, Attachments A,B,C,D and Attachments 1 thru 10-USC
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